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1. SWISS APPRECIATE U S EFFORTS TO RESOLVE FINANCING IMPASSE. THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT A MULTILATERAL APPEAL TO OPEC TO INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTION, BUT ARE RELUCTANT TO UNDERTAKE A BILATERAL APPROACH, AND AFTER INTERNAL DISCUSSIONS HERE DECIDED AGAINST IT.

EMBASSY COMMENT: SWISS RELATIONS WITH IRAN ARE AT A STANDSTILL DUE TO THE RECENT WIDELY PUBLICIZED EXPULSION OF AN IRANIAN DIPLOMAT ACCREDITED TO THE UN IN GENEVA. MORE GENERALLY, THE SWISS APPEAR TO BELIEVE THAT THE OPEC OFFER OF \$400 MILLION IS GOOD ENOUGH. WHILE SYMPATHETIC TO OUR CONGRESSIONAL PROBLEM, THEY ARE UNWILLING TO DEPART FROM TRADITIONAL SWISS DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE ON ISSUES OF THIS SORT, IN WHICH THEY FEEL THEIR INFLUENCE IS MARGINAL AND COULD ONLY BE EXERCISED SUCCESSFULLY AS PART OF A MULTILATERAL EFFORT.
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